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In Re Application of: Jason T. Lenz
Application No.: 09/477,236
Filed: January 4, 2000
For: Protective Coatings for Medical Devices
Examiner: M. Mendez
Group Art Unit: 3763

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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Docket No.: S63.2-7531

SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

As per my telephone conversation with Examiner Mendez on October 15, 2001,
this is a supplemental amendment and response to the Office Action mailed July 18, 2001.

In the Claims

Please amend the claims as follows.

July 18, 2001
C1
1. (Amended) An insertable medical device having a protective surface coating, said coating comprising at least one thermoplastic polymer, at least one thermosetting polymer, or a mixture thereof and said coating being noncontinuous on said medical device.

Please add the following new claims.

C2
27. (New) A dilatation balloon formed from a thermoplastic polymer, said balloon having a protective coating applied to said dilatation balloon in a discontinuous pattern.

C3
30. (New) A medical device having a continuous surface and insertable in the body and having a protective coating on the surface thereof, said coating being applied to said medical device in a discontinuous pattern.

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

1. In regard to the above-identified application, we are submitting the attached:
**2 pg Supplemental Amendment; 1 pg Marked Up Version of the Claims;
VAS Transmittal and Postcard.**
2. With respect to fees:
☒ No additional fee is required.
☐ Attached is check(s) in the amount of \$
☐ Charge additional fee to our Deposit Account No. 22-0350.
3. **CONDITIONAL PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**
This conditional petition is being filed along with the papers identified in Item 1 above and provides for the possibility that Applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time or for a petition and fee for any other matter petitionable to the Commissioner as required. If any extension of time for the accompanying response is required or if a petition for any other matter is required, by petitioner, Applicant requests that this be considered a petition therefor.
4. Notwithstanding paragraph 2 above, if any additional fees associated with this communication are required and have not otherwise been paid, including any fee associated with the Conditional Petition for Extension of Time, or any request in the accompanying papers for action which requires a fee as a petition to the Commissioner, please charge the additional fees to Deposit Account No. 22-0350. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment associated with this communication to the Deposit Account No. 22-0350.

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Certificate Under 37 CFR 1.8: I hereby certify that this Transmittal Letter and the paper(s) as described herein, are being deposited in the U.S. Postal Service, as FIRST CLASS MAIL, addressed to Box Non-Fee Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, Washington D.C. 20231, on October 22, 2001.

Jayne Bisson